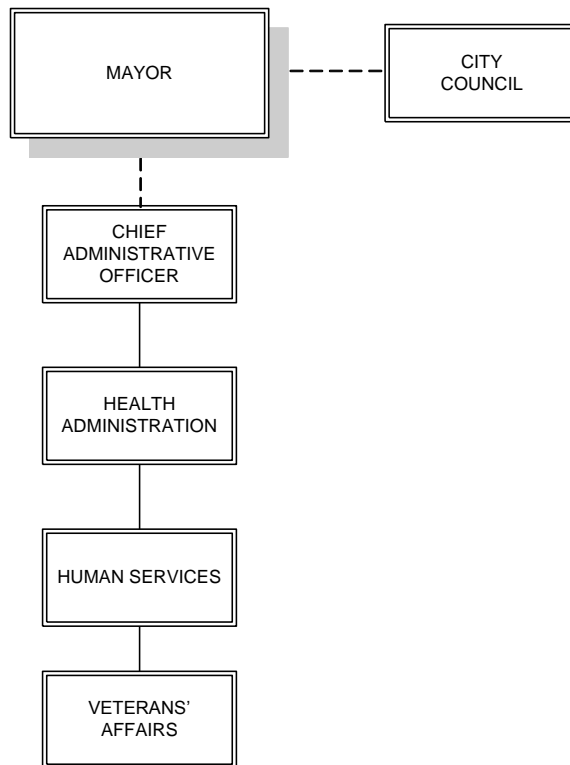


VETERANS AFFAIRS

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to ensure the provision and coordination of human services for the City's armed forces veterans. We educate Bridgeport veterans and their families of benefits, programs and all information to which they are entitled. We assist veterans with paperwork and advocate on their behalf. We direct veterans to job opportunities with the State Department of Labor. We help obtain food vouchers for their families. We direct and support Memorial Day and Veterans Day programs.



GENERAL FUND BUDGET	
VETERANS AFFAIRS	BUDGET DETAIL

Jill Bruno
Manager

REVENUE SUMMARY

Not Applicable

APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

ORG DESC	APPR DESC	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	VARIANCE TO	
		ACTUAL	BUDGET	MAYOR PROPOSED	FY2011 ADOPTED	FY2010 BUDGET
'01578000 VETERAN'S AFFAIRS		52,206	63,312	72,559	72,559	9,247
	1578PS VETERANS AFFAIRS PERS SVCS	29,699	30,398	30,848	30,848	450
	3578FB VETERAN'S AFFAIRS FRINGE BENEFITS		8,176	16,973	16,973	8,797
	4578EX VETERANS AFFAIRS OPER EXP	22,507	23,281	23,281	23,281	
	6578SS VETERANS AFFAIRS SPEC SVCS		1,457	1,457	1,457	

PERSONNEL SUMMARY

Job Description	FTE FY	FTE FY	VAC	NEW	UNF	FY 2010	FY 2011	VARIANCE
	2010	2011				CURRENT	ADOPTED	
TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR (35 HR	1.0	1.0				30,398	30,848	451
	1.0	1.0			TOTALS	30,398	30,848	451

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VETERANS AFFAIRS

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

SERVICE INDICATORS	ACTUAL 2005-2006	ACTUAL 2006-2007	ACTUAL 2007-2008	ACTUAL 2008-2009	ESTIMATED 2009-2010
VETERANS AFFAIRS					
Veterans Assisted (1)	600	825	500	700	1,000
New Programs Implemented	N/A	550	475		
Special Event Programming	N/A	300	460		
Transportation Provided (2)	N/A	3,680	4,672	5,000	7,000

(1) Veterans assisted are unduplicated.

(2) Transportation provided numbers are units of service, and thus duplicated.

FY 2010-2011 GOALS

- 1) To Serve Bridgeport Veterans and their dependents.
- 2) To provide transportation to and from the Veterans Administration Hospital, Monday through Friday.
- 3) To provide information & referral on entitlements for: Military benefits, Medical Benefits, Death benefits, Addiction Services, Education, Employment, Records and related programs.
- 4) To provide a Food Pantry for all Veterans and or their dependents who are in need.
- 5) To provide over 10,000 flags each year to be placed on the graves of those Veterans buried in all Bridgeport cemeteries.
- 6) To provide ongoing communication with the community to raise awareness of our services.
- 7) To work together with the State of Connecticut Department of Labor and the Federal Government Veterans Center by creating programs and providing help in our office that would be staffed by these and other agencies. This will also help create a leaner more efficient government.
- 9) Increase the number of rides for Bridgeport Veterans to the VA Medical Center in West Haven.

FY 2009-2010 GOAL STATUS

- 1) To Serve Bridgeport Veterans and their dependents.
6 MONTH STATUS: 749 unduplicated veterans have registered with the office as of July 1, 2009.
- 2) To provide transportation to and from the Veterans Administration Hospital, Monday through Friday.
6 MONTH STATUS: In the first 6 months of the fiscal year 3,849 rides were provided.
- 3) To provide information & referral on entitlements for: Military benefits, Medical Benefits, Death benefits, Addiction Services, Education, Employment, Records, and related programs.
6 MONTH STATUS: 749 veterans received information, referrals, food and transportation.
- 4) To provide a Food Pantry for all Veterans and or their dependents who are in need.
6 MONTH STATUS: 339 families received food, 864 individuals benefited from the monthly supplement. This number consisted of 626 adults, 238 children, 231 seniors and 103 disabled veterans. 17,280 meals were provided.
- 5) To provide over 10,000 flags each year to be placed on the graves of those Veterans buried in all Bridgeport cemeteries.
6 MONTH STATUS: Flags will be placed at three Bridgeport cemeteries in the month of May 2010.
- 6) To provide ongoing communication with the community to raise awareness of our services.
6 MONTH STATUS: The Veterans Affairs Office has joined the Greater Bridgeport Council of Churches' Hunger Outreach program. The Veterans Office has also received assistance from local Veterans Organizations, Churches and concerned citizens. Food, gift cards, and other miscellaneous items were donated to our food pantry.

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- 7) To work together with the State of Connecticut Department of Labor and the Federal Government Veterans Center by creating programs and providing help in our office that would be staffed by these and other agencies. This will also help create a leaner more efficient government.

6 MONTH STATUS: The Federal Government Veterans Center provides counseling to our local veterans one day a week and assists those veterans who were in combat. Our office is averaging 40 veterans a Month with this service.

- 8) Increase the number of rides for Bridgeport Veterans to the VA Medical Center in West Haven by expanding our service bus to a 22-passenger vehicle with two wheel chair accessible seats. Up to \$40,000 of the total cost will be provided by the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation 5310 Grant. The service bus will be in operation by July 2009.

6 MONTH STATUS: The bus was received in November 2009.

APPROPRIATION SUPPLEMENT

ORG	OBJECT DESC	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2011	VARIANCE TO
		ACTUAL	BUDGET	MAYOR PROPOSED	COUNCIL ADOPTED	FY2010 BUDGET
'01578000	VETERAN'S AFFAIRS	52,206	63,312	72,559	72,559	9,247
	'51000 FULL TIME EARNED PAY	29,699	30,398	30,848	30,848	450
	'52360 MEDICARE	0	441	447	447	6
	'52504 MERF PENSION EMPLOYER CONT	0	2,280	2,931	2,931	651
	'52917 HEALTH INSURANCE CITY SHARE	0	5,455	13,595	13,595	8,140
	'53720 TELEPHONE SERVICES	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
	'54560 COMMUNICATION SUPPLIES	375	0	0	0	0
	'54595 MEETING/WORKSHOP/CATERING FOOD	0	3,000	3,000	3,000	0
	'54610 DIESEL	9,282	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
	'54615 GASOLINE	0	6,000	6,000	6,000	0
	'54650 LANDSCAPING SUPPLIES	700	875	875	875	0
	'54675 OFFICE SUPPLIES	450	450	450	450	0
	'54680 OTHER SUPPLIES	11,700	6,802	6,802	6,802	0
	'54745 UNIFORMS	0	1,155	1,155	1,155	0
	'56170 OTHER MAINTENANCE & REPAIR S	0	1,457	1,457	1,457	0

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